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## Foreword

In the 70s, the National Park Service saw a critical need for guidance to ensure that historic buildings were properly treated. Home owners working on historic buildings did not have access to reliable, accurate information on appropriate preservation and rehabilitation techniques and products. As a result, building materials and features were being lost to destructive approaches, such as improper cleaning, poor repointing, and incompatible replacement windows.

The Service's first challenge in reversing these trends was to develop professional Standards which were common sense principles against which project work could be weighed. As such, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards are the bulwark of the program and distinguish it from every other program in the nation. They were designed to address a variety of treatments, such as preservation, rehabilitation, restoration, and reconstruction, and have been revised throughout the years to reflect the most recent technologies. The Standards are in evidence in each technical publication produced by Technical Preservation Services.

The next program goal was to publish state-of-the-art information that would vary in intent, complexity, and audience in order to convey responsible methods of caring for historic buildings. The information needed to be easy-to-read, readily available, and free or modestly priced. Twenty-five years later, the National Park Service's Technical Preservation Services program has produced over 100 publications that are currently in print and readily available to the public, and has sold and distributed over 3.5 million copies. The addition of electronic media, such as videotapes and the Internet, have succeeded in expanding audiences even further.

The scope and diversity of Technical Preservation Services publications is best appreciated when seen in a comprehensive catalog listing. The collection includes Standards and Guidelines, public service leaflets and

books on using the Tax Incentives, reports on conserving fragile historic building materials, case studies on specific structures, and a wealth of technical preservation guidance on preserving historic buildings and landscapes. Responding to key environmental and educational issues of the day, its publications address topics such as the need for sensitivity to historic landscapes; accessibility to historic properties for people with disabilities; lead paint abatement in old houses, and heritage awareness-building for school age children. The series include Preservation Briefs, Preservation Tech Notes, Technical Reports, Co-published books, and Preservation Case Studies.

Today, the Standards and Guidelines have been adopted by many local review commissions nationwide and information in the Preservation Briefs is routinely referenced in architectural specifications. Overall, the publications listed in this Catalog have had a profound impact on the way the public both perceives and treats historic properties. For example, the dangers of abrasive cleaning are now widely known; the repair of historic windows is now recognized as a viable option; repointing is considered both for its appearance and long-term effect on the building envelope; the importance of historic interiors is more widely appreciated; and historic landscapes are now acknowledged for the significant role they play in defining our nation's past.

Technical Preservation Services helps home owners, preservation professionals, organizations, and government agencies preserve and protect this nation's heritage by providing readily available materials – and our Web home page – on preserving, restoring, and rehabilitating historic buildings. Technical Preservation Services is dedicated to improving the quality of work on our nation's historic buildings by promoting their long-term preservation and fostering the responsible use of both traditional and innovative techniques in their care and maintenance.

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## **Ordering Information**

### ***Free Publications***

Heritage Preservation Services, National Park Service, still makes essential program information available free of charge. This information includes the Standards, brochures on various divisional activities, and applications for the preservation tax incentives program. Finally, a few technical guidance publications may still be obtained in single issue, subject to availability. For your ordering convenience, free publications are always listed first in every section and highlighted for easy reference (■). Single copies may be requested from Technical Preservation Services by contacting: Heritage Preservation Services Information Desk, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW, NC-330, Washington, D.C. 20240. Or phone (202) 343-9583; e:mail: hps-info@nps.gov.

### ***Sales Publications***

The majority of Technical Preservation Services are sold. TPS makes its sales publications available through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office; a variety of Partnership Sales outlets; and the National Technical Information Service. They always appear in that order in the catalog.

#### ***Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office (GPO)***

The majority of technical guidance publications listed in this catalog are sold by GPO through direct catalog sales. When ordering a publication from GPO, you must include the title and the GPO stock number. Please use the GPO order form. Please note that GPO offers a 25% discount to orders of 100 or more publications sent to the same address. Simply deduct 25% if your order meets this description.

Next, you may wish to take advantage of the new GPO Standing Order Service to receive each Preservation Brief or Preservation Tech Note automatically—as soon as it is released. You establish an account by check or money order and GPO does the rest. See the special Standing Order form for additional details. Finally, GPO credit card users may also order by telephone 202-512-1800; or by fax 202-512-2250.

### ***Partnership Sales***

The National Park Service often participates in cooperative publication projects with other organizations. In these instances, guidance publications (or videos) may be offered at competitive prices through alternative or "partnership" sales outlets. No order forms are provided in these cases; addresses are noted within the Catalog text.

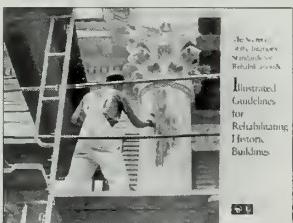
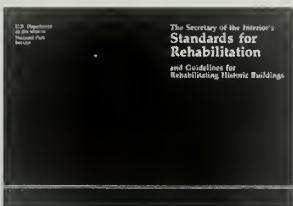
#### ***U.S. Department of Commerce, National Technical Information Service (NTIS)***

In limited instances, Technical Preservation Services makes information available through NTIS. It should be noted that NTIS publications are available in paper copy or microfiche. The paper copy is a photocopy, not a printed publication. Please use the NTIS order form. When ordering a TPS publication from NTIS, you must include the title and the NTIS order number.

### ***TPS Online***

You can also find Technical Preservation Services on the Heritage Preservation Services web site at <http://www2.cr.nps.gov/tps/>

A complete listing of TPS publications is available, as well as the text of all Preservation Briefs and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.



*"a group effort that brings together prominent experts and tradespeople in the appropriate fields... makes for well-rounded treatments that draw on scholarly research as well as practical experience."*

Sal Alfano, senior editor  
The Journal of Light  
Construction  
Richmond, VT

## Standards and Guidelines

Since their publication in 1976, the Secretary's Standards developed by the National Park Service have been used by State Historic Preservation Officers and the National Park Service to ensure that projects receiving Federal grant money or tax benefits were reviewed in a consistent manner nationwide. The principles embodied in the Standards have also been adopted by hundreds of preservation commissions nationwide in local design guidelines. While the Standards provide a consistent philosophical framework for treatment, the Guidelines suggest a model process to follow in the work, and thus assist in applying the Standards to both historic buildings and landscapes.

### *Free from TPS*

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- The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (1995)
- The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation in English and Spanish (1990)

## *Superintendent of Documents Government Printing Office*

### **The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation with Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.**

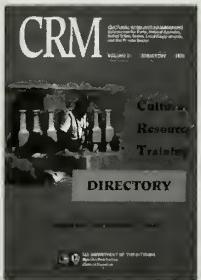
Unillustrated version. The 1990 Standards for Rehabilitation are regulations (36 CFR 67) used within the Preservation Tax Incentives program when determining whether the historic character of a building is preserved in the process of rehabilitation. The Standards are also used by federal agencies and state programs, and have been adopted by many local historic district commissions nationwide. Accompanying guidelines assist in applying the Standards. They are useful for anyone undertaking a rehabilitation project. 59 pages. 1990.

GPO stock number: 024-005-01061-1.  
\$3.50 per copy.

### **The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation with Illustrated Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.**

*W. Brown Morton III, Gary L. Hume, Kay D. Weeks, and H. Ward Jandl.*

See description of the Standards, above. Accompanying guidelines and captioned illustrations assist in applying the 1990 Standards for Rehabilitation; they recommend responsible methods and approaches and also list those treatments that should be avoided. 160 pages. 230 illustrations. 1992. GPO stock number: 024-005-01091-2. \$13.00 per copy.



## The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Illustrated Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings.

Kay D. Weeks and Anne E. Grimmer.

The 1995 Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties are regulations (36 CFR 68) used within the HPF grant-in-aid program to States, tribes, and local governments. They are also used by federal agencies, and have been adopted by many local historic district commissions nationwide. Updated Guidelines in a recommended/not recommended format address all four work options offered in the Standards, as applied to historic buildings. They are useful to anyone undertaking a historic preservation project on a historic building. 188 pages. 79 illustrations. GPO stock number: 024-005-01157-9. \$13.00 per copy.

## The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for the Treatment of Cultural Landscapes.

Charles A. Birnbaum, ASLA, and Chris Capella-Peters, Editors.

Comprehensive guidelines developed by the National Park Service that address all four work options offered in the Standards, as applied to vernacular and designed historic landscapes. Excellent captioned illustrations show preservation, rehabilitation, restoration, and reconstruction work in progress and completed. This book is useful to anyone undertaking a historic preservation project on a historic landscape. 148 pages. 170 illustrations. 1996. GPO stock number: 024-005-01171-4. \$17.00 per copy.

## Partnership Sales

### Working on the Past with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. (video)

Provides a clear explanation of the philosophical differences between the treatments Preservation, Rehabilitation, Restoration, and Reconstruction through interviews, graphics, and examination of four historic properties. Intended to assist owners, managers, and design professionals in selecting and applying the most appropriate treatment. Also discusses the interpretive consequences of treatment. 40 minutes. VHS. Developed by the National Park Service, Technical Preservation Services (Kay Weeks) and Horace M. Albright Training Center (Jim Boyd). Sold by the Historic Preservation Education Foundation. \$15 includes the video, postage and handling and a copy of the treatment Standards. Write: HPEF, P.O. Box 77160, Washington, D.C. 20013.

## Program/Training Information

A number of publications—both free and sales—are available that describe or explain specific program activities or are produced as a result of outreach training, workshops, and study groups.

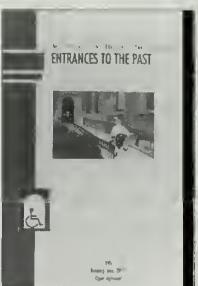
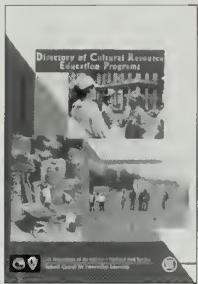
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- Affordable Housing Case Studies
- Cultural Resource Training Directory (current)
- Historic Surplus Property Program – New Uses for Federal Properties
- Preserving the Past and Making it Accessible for People with Disabilities
- Student Intern Program
- Window Directory for Historic Buildings



**NEW**



## Historic Preservation Easements.

*Prepared by Leslie J. Smith.*

Briefly describes the benefits of donating an easement; defines qualified properties and organizations according to IRS; and includes a series of useful questions to ask when considering whether to donate an easement. 8 pages. 1997.

## NEW Directory of Historic Preservation Easements.

*Compiled by Deborah Maylie.*

Provides basic information about historic preservation easements; discusses potential financial benefits to property owners; and lists qualified organizations which accept donations of historic preservation easements. 16 pages. 1998.

## Superintendent of Documents Government Printing Office Sales

### Directory of Cultural Resource Education Programs.

*Compiled and edited by Emogene Bevitt and Heather L. Minor with others.*

Provides information in an attractive, user-friendly format on long-term educational and training opportunities related to the protection and preservation of cultural heritage in the United States. Includes a wide variety of disciplines, including anthropology, crafts, trades and apprenticeships, history, history of science, interpretation, landscape preservation, language retention and ethic studies, and preservation law. 96 pages. 1994. GPO stock number: 024-005-01146-3. \$9.50 per copy.

## Federal Historic Preservation Laws.

*Sara K. Blumenthal, revised by Emogene A. Bevitt.*

Replacing the 1990 version, lists the major historic preservation laws governing a national program that coordinates and supports both public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect our historic and archeological resources. The 1993 edition adds the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act; the 1992 amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966; and updates most other laws as well. Also explains how to order copies of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), developed to implement the laws cited. 96 pages. 1993. GPO stock number: 024-005-01138-2. \$4.50 per copy.

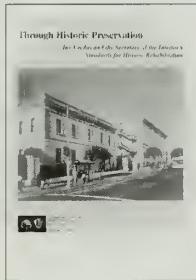
## Partnership Sales

### (Video) Accessibility and Historic Preservation: Entrances to the Past.

*Kay D. Weeks, with Kay Ellis and David C. Park.*

Focuses on the dual need to achieve reasonable access solutions for mobility-impaired individuals and to save historic buildings for future generations. Requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 are graphically explained; and a simple step-by-step planning process is shown. Accessibility products, technologies, and approaches are described, including ramps, paths, lifts, stair climbers, and new additions. Site-specific examples are used to illustrate successful solutions for both large scale and smaller structures. 1993. VHS.

*Closed or open captioned. Running time: 28:25. Available for \$15.00 from Historic Windsor, Inc., P.O. Box 1777, Windsor, VT 05089-0021. Call Historic Windsor for specific information on ordering, including methods of payment. (802) 674-6752.*



*"If there's a Preservation Brief available on a project you're contemplating, whether you plan to do the work yourself or hire a professional, you'd be wise to refer to it before the work begins."*

Popular Mechanics

## Preservation Tax Incentives

Federal tax incentives are available to stimulate private investment in the rehabilitation of historic structures. Certifications from the NPS are required from the National Park Service to qualify for the investment tax credit.

### Free from TPS

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- Preservation Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (Revised 1998)
- Historic Preservation Certification Application
- Preservation Tax Incentives for Historic Buildings: Current Fact Sheet
- Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings: Current Annual Report
- The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (36 CFR 67)

### Superintendent of Documents Government Printing Office Sales

### Affordable Housing Through Historic Preservation: Tax Credits and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Rehabilitation.

*Susan Escherich, Stephen J. Farneth, AIA,  
and Bruce Judd, AIA. Preface by Katherine  
H. Stevenson.*

Focuses on rehabilitating schools, hotels, shotgun houses, warehouses, single-family rowhouses, and factories within context of the historic rehabilitation tax credit. Case studies are presented to show how architects, contractors, and owners were able to provide convenient, attractive living space for modern families and special populations; meet health and safety codes; and meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. 110 pages. 64 illustrations.

Appendices. 1995. GPO stock number:  
024-005-01163-3. \$7.50 per copy.

## Caring for Historic Buildings

Technical Preservation Services produces and distributes a variety of technical and educational publications to promote the maintenance and long-term preservation and care of the historic built environment. This 20-year collection includes a wide variety of publications, including Preservation Briefs, Preservation Tech Notes, Technical Reports, Preservation Case Studies and Co-Published Books.

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### A Glossary of Historic Masonry Deterioration Problems and Preservation Treatments.

*Anne E. Grimmer.*

Generously illustrated, provides information on 22 common masonry deterioration problems and their known treatments. An essential guide for every historic preservation bookshelf. 68 pages. 41 illustrations. 1984. Reprinted in 1997.

### Preservation Briefs

Preservation Briefs assist owners and developers of historic buildings in recognizing and resolving common preservation and repair problems prior to work. The briefs are especially useful to preservation tax incentive program applicants because they recommend those methods and approaches for rehabilitating historic buildings that are consistent with their historic character.



## *Superintendent of Documents Government Printing Office*

### **Historic Buildings Preservation Briefs #1-14 (set).**

The "classic" package, many of the issues and topics parallel the early history of the NPS preservation program. Briefs 1-14 can only be purchased in this set. Popular for classrooms, rehabilitation workshops, and preservation conferences. This most recent collection contains the newly revised Preservation Brief #2 on repointing historic masonry buildings. 1998. GPO stock number: 024-005-01026-2. \$16.00.

#### **Preservation Briefs 1: The Cleaning and Waterproof Coating of Masonry Buildings. Robert C. Mack, AIA.**

Provides guidance on the techniques of cleaning and waterproofing and explains the consequences of their inappropriate use. 4 pages. 5 illustrations. 1975.

#### **REVISED Preservation Briefs 2: Repointing Mortar Joints in Historic Masonry Buildings.**

*Robert C. Mack, FAIA, and John P. Speweik.*

Provides general guidance on appropriate materials and methods for repointing historic masonry buildings. This publication revises Preservation Briefs 2: Repointing Mortar Joints in Historic Brick Buildings, and now includes all types of historic unit masonry. 16 pages. 36 illustrations. 1998.

**Special Note:** *Preservation Briefs 2 is being re-issued as a single sales item for a limited time, from Fall 1998 to Spring 2000, after which time it will be sold only as part of the set # 1-14. For specific sales information, see page 20.*

*"Technical Preservation Services has set the standards for the preservation field. The publications are always exceptional in their clarity of text and graphics."*

Pamela W. Hawkes, AIA  
Ann Beha Associates  
Boston, MA

### **Preservation Briefs 3: Conserving Energy in Historic Buildings.**

*Baird M. Smith, AIA.*

Provides information on materials and techniques to consider or avoid when undertaking weatherization and energy conservation measures in historic buildings. 8 pages. 8 illustrations. 1978.

### **Preservation Briefs 4: Roofing for Historic Buildings.**

*Sara M. Sweetser.*

Provides a brief history of the most commonly used roofing materials in America. Presents a sound preservation approach to roof repair, roof replacement, and the use of alternative roofing materials. 8 pages. 16 illustrations. 1978.

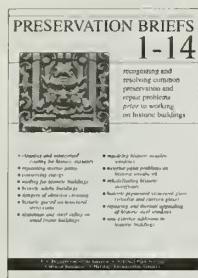
### **Preservation Briefs 5: The Preservation of Historic Adobe Buildings.**

Provides information on the traditional materials and construction of adobe buildings, and the causes of adobe deterioration. Makes recommendations for preserving historic adobe buildings. 8 pages. 15 illustrations. 1978.

### **Preservation Briefs 6: Dangers of Abrasive Cleaning to Historic Buildings.**

*Anne E. Grimmer.*

Cautions against the use of sandblasting to clean various buildings and suggests measures to mitigate the effects of improper cleaning. Explains the limited circumstances under which abrasive cleaning may be appropriate. 8 pages. 10 illustrations. 1979.



## **Preservation Briefs 7: The Preservation of Historic Glazed Architectural Terra-Cotta.**

*de Teel Patterson Tiller.*

Discusses deterioration problems that commonly occur with terra-cotta and provides methods for determining the extent of such deterioration. Makes recommendations for maintenance and repair, and suggests appropriate replacement materials. 8 pages. 11 illustrations. 1979.

## **Preservation Briefs 8: Aluminum and Vinyl Siding on Historic Buildings: The Appropriateness of Substitute Materials for Resurfacing Historic Wood Frame Buildings.**

*John H. Myers, revised by Gary L. Hume.*

Discusses the appearance of various types of historic wood siding and makes recommendations for repair and replacement. Outlines the very limited instances under which substitute siding may be an acceptable alternative. 7 pages. 5 illustrations. Rev., 1984.

## **Preservation Briefs 9: The Repair of Historic Wooden Windows.**

*John H. Myers.*

Provides useful information on evaluating and repairing historic wooden windows found in typical rehabilitation projects. Emphasizes practical methods for homeowners or developers. 8 pages. 10 illustrations. 1981.

## **Preservation Briefs 10: Exterior Paint Problems on Historic Woodwork.**

*Kay D. Weeks and David W. Look, AIA.*

Identifies and describes common types of paint surface conditions and failures. Provides guidance on preparing historic woodwork for repainting, including limited and total paint removal. 12 pages. 14 illustrations. 1982.

## **Preservation Briefs 11: Rehabilitating Historic Storefronts.**

*H. Ward Jandl.*

Explores the role of the storefront in historic buildings and provides guidance on rehabilitation techniques for historic storefronts as well as compatible new storefront designs. 12 pages. 12 illustrations. 1982.

## **Preservation Briefs 12: The Preservation of Historic Pigmented Structural Glass (Vitrolite and Carrara Glass).**

Provides information on the early manufacture, installation, and use of this decorative building product commonly found in 20th century buildings; reasons for its damage; and a general approach for its maintenance, repair, and replacement. 8 pages. 16 illustrations. 1984.

## **Preservation Briefs 13: The Repair and Thermal Upgrading of Historic Steel Windows.**

*Sharon C. Park, AIA.*

Presents brief historical background on the development, use, and styles of rolled steel windows popular in the first half of the 20th century. Explains steps for cleaning and repairing damaged steel windows; also provides information on appropriate methods of weatherstripping and options for storm panels or the installation of thermal glass. 12 pages. 10 illustrations. 1984.

## **Preservation Briefs 14: New Exterior Additions to Historic Buildings: Preservation Concerns.**

*Kay D. Weeks.*

Uses a series of examples to suggest ways that attached new additions can successfully serve contemporary uses as part of a rehabilitation project while preserving significant historic materials and features and the building's historic character. 12 pages. 30 illustrations. 1986.



## Historic Buildings Preservation Briefs #15-23 (set).

By popular demand, a second packaging of the Preservation Briefs. Preservation Briefs 15-23 can only be purchased in this set. 1991. GPO stock number: 024-005-01085-8. \$14.00 per set.

### Preservation Briefs 15: Preservation of Historic Concrete: Problems and General Approaches.

William B. Coney, AIA.

Focus on reinforced concrete (cast-in-place or reinforced), useful for anyone undertaking repair or limited replacement. The guidance addresses the causes of concrete deterioration, the signs of deterioration, and actual concrete repair. 12 pages. 27 illustrations. 1987.

### Preservation Briefs 16: The Use of Substitute Materials on Historic Building Exteriors.

Sharon C. Park, AIA.

Includes a discussion of when to use substitute materials, cautions regarding their expected performance, and descriptions of several substitute materials together with advantages and disadvantages. Summary charts included. 16 pages. 34 illustrations. 1988.

### Preservation Briefs 17: Architectural Character - Identifying the Visual Aspects of Historic Buildings as an Aid to Preserving Their Character.

Lee H. Nelson, FAIA.

Essential guidance to help property owners and architects identify those features of historic buildings that give the building its visual character so that their preservation can be maximized in rehabilitation. 12 pages. 27 illustrations. 1988.

*"Published by the federal government, these preservation briefs are a great source of assistance to owners and developers of historic buildings."*

Old House Journal Online

## Preservation Briefs 18: Rehabilitating Interiors in Historic Buildings - Identifying Character- Defining Elements.

H. Ward Jandl.

Assists building owners in identifying significant interior spaces, features, and finishes so they may be preserved in rehabilitation work. The guidance applies to all building types and styles, from 18th century churches to 20th century office buildings. 8 pages. 11 illustrations. 1988.

## Preservation Briefs 19: The Repair and Replacement of Historic Wooden Shingle Roofs.

Sharon C. Park, AIA.

Discusses historic wooden roofing, expectations for longevity, and repair and replacement options. Identifies roofing material that duplicates the appearance of a historic roof, offers guidance on proper installation, and provides information on coatings and maintenance procedures to help preserve the new roof. 12 pages. 16 illustrations. 1989.

## Preservation Briefs 20: The Preservation of Historic Barns.

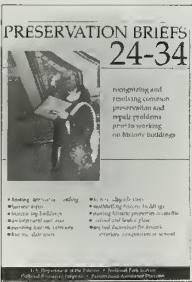
Michael J. Auer.

Identifies historic barn types, helps owners understand the historic character of their barns, and offers advice on the maintenance, repair, and rehabilitation of old and historic barns. 12 pages. 30 illustrations. 1989.

## Preservation Briefs 21: Repairing Historic Flat Plaster-Walls and Ceilings.

Marylee MacDonald.

Guides building owners on repairing historic plaster using traditional materials (wet plaster) and techniques. Suggests replacement options if the historic plaster is severely deteriorated. Useful chart on various plaster bases and compatible basecoats and finish coats. 14 pages. 17 illustrations. 1989.



## Preservation Briefs 22: The Preservation and Repair of Historic Stucco.

*Anne E. Grimmer.*

Describes the evolution of stucco as a popular building material, beginning with a brief history of how stucco is applied, and how its composition, texture, and surface patterns have changed. Includes guidelines for the historic property owner or manager on how to plan for and carry out repair of historic stucco, with sample mixes for 18th, 19th, and 20th century stucco types. 12 pages. 33 illustrations. 1990.

## Preservation Briefs 23: Preserving Historic Ornamental Plaster.

*David Flaharty.*

Discusses ornamental plaster production, explaining the processes of run-in-place and cast ornamentation using three common decorative forms as examples: the cornice, ceiling medallion, and coffered ceiling. Guidance will help an owner identify deterioration causes and better understand complex restoration techniques. Useful advice on selecting and evaluating a restoration contractor is included. 12 pages. 34 illustrations. 1990.

## Historic Buildings Preservation Briefs #24-34 (set).

The third packaging of the Preservation Briefs as a set. Sold only as a set. 1994. GPO stock number: 024-005-01147-1. \$15.00 per set.

## Preservation Briefs 24: Heating, Ventilating, and Cooling Historic Buildings: Problems and Recommended Approaches.

*Sharon C. Park, AIA.*

Underscores the importance of careful planning in order to balance preservation objectives with the interior climate needs of the building. Useful charts included. 14 pages. 28 illustrations. 1991.

## Preservation Briefs 25: The Preservation of Historic Signs.

*Michael J. Auer.*

Discusses the history of sign types pre-1800 to the 20th century, including symbol signs, flat signs, fascia signs, hanging signs, goldleaf signs, rooftop signs, and neon signs. Makes recommendations for their repair and re-use. 12 pages. 29 illustrations. 1991.

## Preservation Briefs 26: The Preservation and Repair of Historic Log Buildings.

*Bruce L. Bomberger.*

Focuses on horizontally laid or vertically positioned logs, but the preservation and repair treatments are essentially the same for all log structures. Discusses traditional splicing-in techniques, the use of epoxies, and replacement, as well as guidance on the repair and replacement of chinking and daubing. 14 pages. 32 illustrations. 1991.

## Preservation Briefs 27: The Maintenance and Repair of Architectural Cast Iron.

*John G. Waite; historical overview by Margot Gayle.*

Discusses the role of cast iron in the industrial development of our country during the 19th century and the resulting advances in building design and technology and ornamental detailing. Provides essential guidance on maintaining and repairing architectural cast iron within rehabilitation projects. 12 pages. 30 illustrations. 1991.



## **Preservation Briefs 28: Painting Historic Interiors.**

*Sara B. Chase.*

Discusses wall paint and decorative surface treatments from the late 17th century to the 1950s. Describes the usefulness of a complete paint investigation for preservation and restoration projects. Provides guidance on the common causes of interior paint failure and preparing surfaces for repainting. Makes recommendations about new paint with health and safety factors in mind. 16 pages. 22 illustrations. 1992.

## **Preservation Briefs 29: The Repair, Replacement, and Maintenance of Slate Roofs.**

*Jeffrey S. Levine.*

Describes the causes of slate roof failures and provides comprehensive guidance on their sensitive repair and, when necessary, their appropriate replacement. A useful Repair/Replacement Guideline is included to assist owners prior to work. 16 pages. 42 illustrations. 1992.

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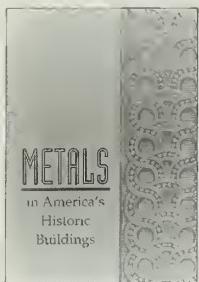
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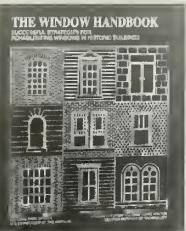
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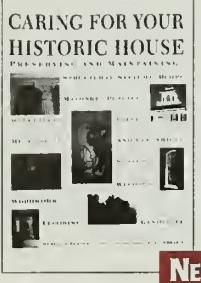
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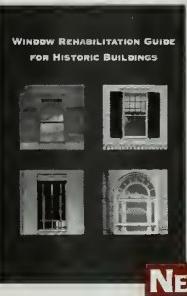
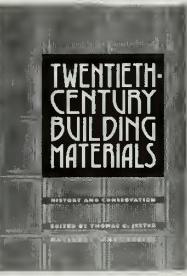
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